

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification at page 7, line 10, as follows:

As noted above, the hub assembly 150 is also used to route processing fluid from an inlet line 164 to the distribution system 116. In this regard, the hub structure 152 of assembly 150 is constructed with a relatively large radial channel or groove 165 at the longitudinally outwardly end of the hub structure. The groove 165 is defined by the hub structure 152 and by an end plate 166 attached to the adjacent end portion of the hub structure, see also FIGURES 6 and 8. Alternatively, the end plate 164 may be integrated into the hub structure 152 itself. The otherwise radially open groove ~~[[162]]~~ 165 is closed off or covered by a cover collar 167, which overlaps the groove 165. Between the cover collar 167 and the hub structure 152 is a ring 169A with a seal 168 against the underside of the collar 167. Between the cover collar 167 and the end plate 166 is a ring 169B with a seal 170 against the underside of the collar 167. The pressure of the processing fluid inside the groove 165 will press the ring 169A against the hub structure 152 and the ring 169B against the end plate 166 thereby forming a mechanical seal. A processing fluid inlet nipple 172 extends radially outwardly from collar 167 for directing processing fluid into groove 165. It will be appreciated that collar 167 and groove 165 cooperatively define a processing fluid receiving annulus. Nipple 172 is connected to processing fluid inlet line 164 through the use of a bellows-type inter-connector 174. Such inter-connector can accommodate misalignment between the inlet line 164 and the nipple 172 as well as relative movement therebetween caused by thermal expansion or contraction. Although only one nipple 172 is illustrated, additional nipples may be utilized so that adequate flow of the processing fluid reaches the fluid receiving annulus.